

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A muffler assembly has a housing and an internal  
and replaceable core assembly. The core assembly may  
contain emission reduction elements to reduce the emissions  
from the engine and/or sound reducing elements. The core  
assembly is replaced within the housing when the emission  
reduction elements become ineffective or when the user  
desired to otherwise replace the internal core assembly  
without replacing the muffler housing or assembly  
components. The core assembly may take the form of a sealed  
cartridge to isolate exhaust treatment apparatuses from the  
ambient environment.

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